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Security Council

15:00	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Programme of work	
	Other matters	

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of March 2016 (Angola) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 1 March 2016, at 16:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 1 March 2016, at 17:00, in the Press Briefing Room (S-0237). Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast. [webcast]

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 140 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/70/34 and A/70/716))	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors:	
	Report of the Board of Auditors on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/70/569, A/70/585 and A/70/608)	
	Report of the Board of Auditors on progress in the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat (A/70/581, A/70/607 and A/70/755))	

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)

Thirty-third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2016 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

10:00 to 10:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Sub-working Group 2

10:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Sub-working Group 4

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11
	Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/70/95, A/70/357, A/70/579 and A/70/579/Add.1) [item 7]	

[Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org). Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should

communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic
2. Executive meeting

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

11:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

1. Briefing by the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO)
2. Briefing by the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS)
3. Other matters

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

The Vice-Chairs of the Second Committee (Germany and Indonesia) and co-facilitators of the discussions on the review of the methods of work of the Committee will convene an informal meeting of the Committee *today*, 1 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

Tenth session

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held *today*, 1 March 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 8.

Security Council

Implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015)

The Facilitator for implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) will hold an open briefing to interested Member States on issues related to the implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015), *today*, 1 March 2016, from 11:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Representatives of the Procurement Working Group of the Joint Commission established in the Joint Comprehensive Plan of action (JCPOA) and of the Secretariat will also participate in the briefing.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Fortieth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 1 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 1 March 2016

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 10:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

11:15 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

15:00 to 16:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Other activities

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Tuesday, 1 March 2016

Consultation on "The UNAOC Baku Global Forum Declaration" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 12.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).]

Inter-sessional workshop on "International Dialogue on Migration: Follow-up and review of migration-related Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

From 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Misato Yuasa, IOM (e-mail myuasa@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 236). To register, please send an e-mail to idmworkshop@iom.int.]

Event on "Financing of Terrorism through Counterfeit and Organized Crime" (organized by the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laurence Gérard, UNCCT (e-mail uncct@un.org).]

Meeting on the "Climate Vulnerable Forum" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Elaine Lorenzo, Permanent Mission of the Philippines (e-mail elaine.lorenzo@nypm.org; tel. 1 (212) 764-1300, ext. 117).]

Briefing on "The humanitarian situation in Somalia" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

From 15:00 to 16:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Ms. Laura Rodriguez (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2770)).]

High-level meeting on "The Future of Cities: Age of Connectivity – Inclusive Cities" (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), in collaboration with the International Council for Caring Communities (ICCC) and the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization (CSU))

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[For further information, please contact the UN-Habitat New York Office (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200).]

Panel discussion on "Implementing International Standards and Norms: Sharing national practices on prison reform" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Rwanda and Turkey, and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 1 March 2016

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guest:* Mr. John Ging, Director of Operations for the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) (on his recent trip to Myanmar)]

17:00 His Excellency Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins (Angola), President of the Security Council for the month of March

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting, on the organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to address the large movements of refugees and migrants on Wednesday, 2 March 2016, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting to hear a briefing on the implementation of the relevant provisions of resolution 70/232 entitled "Rights of Indigenous Peoples", on Monday, 7 March 2016, at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 February and 25 February 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem
(19-21 April 2016)

Pursuant to resolutions 67/193 of 20 December 2012, 69/200 of 18 December 2014 and 70/181 of 17 December 2015, the General Assembly will hold the thirtieth special session on the world drug problem on Tuesday, 19, Wednesday, 20 and Thursday, 21 April 2016.

The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings *should not exceed three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, on Thursday, 21 April 2016. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 December 2015 and 18 January 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 3 March 2016

General Assembly
Seventieth session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

10:00 3rd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

Draft resolution

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council, and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council. The election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

Election of the President, Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session

The election of the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb — A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York

To access the Candiweb, please *click here*.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 2 March 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

Working Group

The Working Group of the Committee will hold a brainstorming session (closed) on Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-sixth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-sixth session at Headquarters, from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations on behalf of the Presidency of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), convened by the facilitator (Switzerland), on the scope and methodology of the Global Sustainable Development Report, will be held on Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8. For information on the Global Sustainable Development Report, please *click here*.

Coordination and Management Meeting

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the Coordination and Management Meeting, to be held from Monday, 4, to Wednesday, 6 April 2016. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2016/1/Add.1. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than* Thursday, 17 March 2016, to the Acting Secretary of the Council (Attn. Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Statistical Commission

Briefing

In preparation for the forty-seventh session of the Statistical Commission, there will be a briefing for permanent missions on Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

Forty-seventh session

The forty-seventh session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 8, to Friday, 11 March 2016, in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2016/1 and E/CN.3/2016/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

Delegations are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included on the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; Room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixtieth session

The sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 14, to Thursday, 24 March 2016. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 14 March, at 10:00.

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2016/1 and E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (*click here*). The list of side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission is forthcoming.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 10 March 2016*, will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers for the general discussion is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; Room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 14 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 15 March; in the morning (*from 12:00 to 13:00 only*) of Wednesday, 16 March; in the morning and afternoon of Friday, 18 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 23 March. For the schedule of the general discussion under agenda item 3, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

Ministerial round tables

The Commission will hold four ministerial round tables in the afternoon of Monday, 14 March 2016. For further information, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1), as well as the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2016/5).

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister and to indicate their first and second preferences for participation in one Ministerial round table, *no later than Friday, 4 March 2016*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Interactive dialogue with ministers

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister wishing to participate in the "Interactive dialogue with ministers" on Wednesday, 16 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Due to time constraints, a limited number of ministers will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive events, including the Ministerial round tables.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixtieth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted (*click here*).

Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixtieth session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Commission on Population and Development

Briefing on organizational matters and logistics

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, Her Excellency Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota (Zambia), will hold a briefing on organizational matters and logistics of the forty-ninth session of the Commission, on Friday, 4 March 2016, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6. All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Forty-ninth session

The forty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 April 2016. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 11 April 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4.

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2016/1 and E/CN.9/2016/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda), will be held from Monday, 11 April 2016 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States *should not exceed five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States *should not exceed ten minutes*; and statements made by observers *should not exceed four minutes*.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Election of the Bureau of the fiftieth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its fiftieth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-ninth session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by Permanent Missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving global road safety" (under agenda item 13) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 9.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Special session of the New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (Deposit by El Salvador of instrument of accession to the Rome Statute)

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 10:45 to 12:00, in Conference Room 6.

Forthcoming other activities

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Symposium on "Peace, reconciliation, sustainable development and multicultural understanding" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Bahamas, the Global United Fellowship and the Engr Aja Eze Foundation)

Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Angelika Hillebrandt, Permanent Mission of the Bahamas (e-mail ahillebrandt@bahamasny.com; tel. 1 (212) 421-6925, ext. 819).]

Meeting on "Protecting Cultural Heritage – an Imperative for Humanity: Acting together against the destruction and trafficking of cultural property by terrorist groups and organized crime" (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, Interpol, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 6.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail luigi.marini@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).]

Meeting on "The 2015 Review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Angola and Australia)

Wednesday, 2 March 2016, from 13:15 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6; and

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 10:00 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gizem Sucuoglu, Secretariat to the Advisory Group on the Review of the Peacebuilding Architecture (e-mail sucuoglu@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5488).]

Special event on the occasion of the World Wildlife Day (A/RES/68/205) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon, Germany and Thailand, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the World Bank Group)

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 11:30 to 13:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eva Gurria, UNDP (e-mail eva.gurria@undp.org; tel. 1 (646) 781-4052). To register, please *click here*.]

Meeting on "Human rights at work in peace operations" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michelle Ramcharan, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail ramcharan@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4371).]

High-level event on "Teaming up to boost higher education opportunities in emergencies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal and Qatar)

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations Staff are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Portugal (Ms. Inês Coroa (e-mail maria.coroa@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2807); or Ms. Cláudia Figueiredo (e-mail claudia.figueiredo@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2912)).]

Informal discussion with the 10-Member Group to Support the Technology Facilitation Mechanism (organized by the Inter-agency Task Team on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals ((IATT-STI))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 14:30 to 15:50, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development (e-mail liuw@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-3212; or please *click here*.]

International Women's Day Forum on "The business of inclusion: Global prosperity through women and girls empowerment" (co-organized by the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Corporate Citizenship Center)

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 13:00 to 17:45, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For agenda and further information, please contact Ms. Lucie Brigham, UNOP (e-mail brigham@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3441).]

Event on "Planning, designing and building websites for permanent missions" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Tuesday, 8 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room S-310.

[For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Event on "Monitoring Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Friday, 11 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact the UNESCO New York Office (e-mail newyork@unesco.org).]

Forum on "Leave No Woman's Issues Behind" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Grenada and My Sisters' Health Watch Team)

Monday, 14 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Grenada (e-mail grenada@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 599-0301); or My Sister's Health Watch Team (e-mail unescocforge@gmail.com; tel. 1 (516) 943-3174).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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In addition, the library will conduct lunch hour information sessions during the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (14 to 24 March 2016), in the Library (Room L-133). All permanent representatives, United Nations entities, and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited. No registration is necessary.

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament: Call for nominations

The Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) wishes to draw the attention of Member States to its Note Verbale ODA/01-2016/FP, dated 4 January 2016, inviting nominations to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament. The *deadline is Friday, 15 April 2016.*

For permanent missions that have not yet received this note verbale, please contact Ms. Jenny Fuchs, ODA (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

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Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 29 February 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7635th meeting

Briefing by the Chair-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited His Excellency Frank-Walter Steinmeier, Chair-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Frank-Walter Steinmeier.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Japan, Uruguay, Egypt, Malaysia, the United Kingdom, Angola, New Zealand, China, the Russian Federation, Senegal, Ukraine, Spain and the United States, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States and Ukraine made further statements.

His Excellency Frank-Walter Steinmeier made concluding comments.

7636th meeting

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/195, submitted by Uruguay.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Senegal and Angola.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/195) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/195) received 11 votes in favour, none against and 4 abstentions (Angola, Egypt, the Russian Federation and Senegal), and was adopted as resolution 2269 (2016).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and China.

7637th meeting

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (S/2016/99)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Serbia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Zahir Tanin, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Vlora Çitaku to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Tanin, via video-teleconference from Pristina.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Ivica Dačić, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Çitaku.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Angola, Uruguay, China, Egypt, the United Kingdom, France, New Zealand, Senegal, the United States, Malaysia, Japan, Ukraine and Spain; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

His Excellency Ivica Dačić made a further statement.

Ms. Çitaku made a further statement.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

[archived video]

24th meeting

Organization of work

The Chair of the Fifth Committee made a statement and welcomed the new Chair of the Group of 77 and China for 2016, Thailand, as well as the new Chair of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, the Dominican Republic.

The Chair referred to the list of documents (A/C.5/70/L.25), as updated through the Bureau, as the basis for the programme of work.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Dominican Republic (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, Armenia, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), China (national capacity), Japan, the United States and the Russian Federation.

The Committee approved the programme of work for the first part of the resumed session, on the understanding that it would be adjusted by the Bureau in the course of the session, as required.

Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Organizational resilience management system

The Director, Facilities and Commercial Services Division, Office of Central Support Services introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the progress in the implementation of the organizational resilience management system (A/70/660).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/70/7/Add.41).

The representative of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on the question just introduced would be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Mr. Lukas Probst-Lopez (Switzerland).

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [item 131]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva

Progress in the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat

The Chair of the Audit Operations Committee of the Board of Auditors, Mr. Salhina Mkumba (United Republic of Tanzania), introduced the report of the Board of Auditors on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/70/569), and the report of the Board of Auditors on progress in the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat (A/70/581).

The Chief, Policy and Oversight Coordination Service, Department of Management introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its report on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/70/585).

The Chief Information Technology Officer and Assistant Secretary-General, Office of Information and Communications Technology introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its report on progress in the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat (A/70/607).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/70/608 and A/70/755).

The representative of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these questions.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on the questions just introduced would be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Mr. Madhuka Sanjaya Wickramarachchige (Sri Lanka).

Joint Inspection Unit [item 140]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chair of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Achamkulangare Gopinathan, introduced the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2015 and programme of work for 2016 (A/70/34).

The Senior Adviser on Information Management Policy Coordination of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination introduced a note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2015 (A/70/716).

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on the item just introduced would be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Ms. Merav Turel (Israel).

The Chair further informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Monday, 29 February immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting, on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017), in particular on the issue of strengthening property management at the United Nations Secretariat, and would be coordinated by Mr. Katlego Boase Mmalane (Botswana).

The Chair advised that informal consultations would be held on that day, Monday, 29 February, in the afternoon, on agenda item 120 (Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

Paris Agreement
Paris, 12 December 2015

Opening for signature

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In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

[Contacts: Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail hamdyd@un.org) or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail guevarah@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693.]

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

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His Excellency Tuvako Nathaniel Manongi

Asia-Pacific States
Indonesia
His Excellency Muhammad Anshor
Chargé d'affaires

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His Excellency Yashar Aliyev

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Security Council

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A/70/PV.73 Meeting held on 11 December 2015 [A C E F R S] — *28 pages*

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A/70/701	Item 149 — Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei — Budget for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *42 pages*
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S/RES/2267 (2016)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 7632nd meeting, on 26 February 2016 [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*
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Morning[2] — 7640th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Libya

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (S/2016/182)

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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 7638th meeting.

[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 7639th meeting.

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Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) (S/2016/182)	
	Libya sanctions	
	Other matters	

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 7640th meeting of the Security Council.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting, on the organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to address the large movements of refugees and migrants *today*, 2 March 2016, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

10:00 to 11:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Operational arrangements and conditions of service of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/70/544))	
11:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Progress in the implementation of the organizational resilience management system (A/70/660 and A/70/7/Add.41))	

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)
Thirty-third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
2016 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

Sub-working Group 1

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Sub-working Group 3

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/70/95, A/70/357, A/70/579 and A/70/579/Add.1) [item 7]

[Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org). Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that *only* scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

Security Council

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 to 18:00 57th meeting (closed) Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2016 session
Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations on behalf of the Presidency of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), convened by the facilitator (Switzerland), on the scope and methodology of the Global Sustainable Development Report, will be held *today*, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8. For information on the Global Sustainable Development Report, please *click here*.

Statistical Commission
Briefing

In preparation for the forty-seventh session of the Statistical Commission, there will be a briefing for permanent missions *today*, 2 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Fortieth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 2 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by Permanent Missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Wednesday, 2 March 2016

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving global road safety" (under agenda item 13) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

From 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 9.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Other activities

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Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Symposium on "Peace, reconciliation, sustainable development and multicultural understanding" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Bahamas, the Global United Fellowship and the Engr Aja Eze Foundation)

From 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Angelika Hillebrandt, Permanent Mission of the Bahamas (e-mail ahillebrandt@bahamasny.com; tel. 1 (212) 421-6925, ext. 819).]

Meeting on "Protecting Cultural Heritage – an Imperative for Humanity: Acting together against the destruction and trafficking of cultural property by terrorist groups and organized crime" (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, Interpol, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

From 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 6.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail luigi.marini@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).]

Meeting on "The 2015 Review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Angola and Australia)

From *14:30* to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gizem Sucuoglu, Secretariat to the Advisory Group on the Review of the Peacebuilding Architecture (e-mail sucuoglu@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5488).]

Event on "Women Engineers of Tomorrow" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8. [webcast]

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5696).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Security Council stakeout [webcast]

Time to be confirmed — Mr. Martin Kobler, Special Representative and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) (press encounter)

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 — Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting to hear a briefing on the implementation of the relevant provisions of resolution 70/232 entitled "Rights of Indigenous Peoples", on Monday, 7 March 2016, at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 February and 25 February 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem
(19-21 April 2016)

Pursuant to resolutions 67/193 of 20 December 2012, 69/200 of 18 December 2014 and 70/181 of 17 December 2015, the General Assembly will hold the thirtieth special session on the world drug problem on Tuesday, 19, Wednesday, 20 and Thursday, 21 April 2016.

The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, on Thursday, 21 April 2016. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 December 2015 and 18 January 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 3 March 2016

General Assembly
Seventieth session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

10:00 3rd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).]

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

Draft resolution

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affairs of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council, and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council. The election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

Election of the President, Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session

The election of the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb — A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York

To access the Candiweb, please *click here*.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 3 March 2016, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

Working Group

The Working Group of the Committee will hold a brainstorming session (closed) on Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-sixth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-sixth session at Headquarters, from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session
Coordination and Management Meeting

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the Coordination and Management Meeting, to be held from Monday, 4, to Wednesday, 6 April 2016. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2016/1/Add.1. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than* Thursday, 17 March 2016, to the Acting Secretary of the Council (Attn. Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Statistical Commission

Forty-seventh session

The forty-seventh session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 8, to Friday, 11 March 2016, in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2016/1 and E/CN.3/2016/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

Delegations are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal

only after delivery by delegations. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included on the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; Room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixtieth session

The sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 14, to Thursday, 24 March 2016. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 14 March, at 10:00.

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2016/1 and E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (*click here*). The list of side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 10 March 2016*, will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers for the general discussion is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; Room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 14 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 15 March; in the morning (*from 12:00 to 13:00 only*) of Wednesday, 16 March; in the morning and afternoon of Friday, 18 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 23 March. For the schedule of the general discussion under agenda item 3, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

Ministerial round tables

The Commission will hold four ministerial round tables in the afternoon of Monday, 14 March 2016. For further information, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1), as well as the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2016/5).

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister and to indicate their first and second preferences for participation in one Ministerial round table, *no later than Friday, 4 March 2016*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Interactive dialogue with ministers

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister wishing to participate in the "Interactive dialogue with ministers" on Wednesday, 16 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Due to time constraints, a limited number of ministers will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive events, including the Ministerial round tables.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixtieth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted (*click here*).

Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixtieth session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Commission on Population and Development

Briefing on organizational matters and logistics

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, Her Excellency Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota (Zambia), will hold a briefing on organizational matters and logistics of the forty-ninth session of the Commission, on Friday, 4 March 2016, from

15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6. All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Forty-ninth session

The forty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 April 2016. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 11 April 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4.

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2016/1 and E/CN.9/2016/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda), will be held from Monday, 11 April 2016 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Election of the Bureau of the fiftieth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its fiftieth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-ninth session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the International Criminal Court" (under agenda item 78) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12;

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C; and

Wednesday, 9 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A.

International Criminal Court: Special session of the New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (Deposit by El Salvador of instrument of accession to the Rome Statute)

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 10:45 to 12:00, in Conference Room 6.

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

Forthcoming other activities

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Special event on the occasion of the World Wildlife Day (A/RES/68/205) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon, Germany and Thailand, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the World Bank Group)

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 11:30 to 13:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eva Gurria, UNDP (e-mail eva.gurria@undp.org; tel. 1 (646) 781-4052). To register, please *click here*.]

Meeting on "Human rights at work in peace operations" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 3 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michelle Ramcharan, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail ramcharan@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4371).]

Briefing on the preparations for the World Humanitarian Summit (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gloria Rivera, OCHA (e-mail riverag@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 909-7825).]

High-level event on "Teaming up to boost higher education opportunities in emergencies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal and Qatar)

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations Staff are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Portugal (Ms. Inês Coroa (e-mail maria.coroa@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2807); or Ms. Cláudia Figueiredo (e-mail claudia.figueiredo@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2912)).]

Informal discussion with the 10-Member Group to Support the Technology Facilitation Mechanism (organized by the Inter-agency Task Team on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals ((IATT-STI))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 14:30 to 15:50, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development (e-mail liuw@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-3212; or please *click here*.]

Meeting on "The 2015 Review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Angola and Australia)

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 10:00 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gizem Sucuoglu, Secretariat to the Advisory Group on the Review of the Peacebuilding Architecture (e-mail sucuoglu@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5488).]

International Women's Day Forum on "The business of inclusion: Global prosperity through women and girls empowerment" (co-organized by the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Corporate Citizenship Center)

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 13:00 to 17:45, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For agenda and further information, please contact Ms. Lucie Brigham, UNOP (e-mail brigham@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3441).]

Event on "Planning, designing and building websites for permanent missions" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Tuesday, 8 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room S-310.

[For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Special event on "Planet 50-50 by 2030: Step It Up for Gender Equality" (on the occasion of the International Women's Day 2016) (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 8 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Cynthia Gale, UN-Women (e-mail cynthia.gale@unwomen.org). To register, please *click here*.]

Event on "Monitoring Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Friday, 11 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact the UNESCO New York Office (e-mail newyork@unesco.org).]

Consultation on "The UNAOC Baku Global Forum Declaration" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Friday, 11 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).]

Forum on "Leave No Woman's Issues Behind" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Grenada and My Sisters' Health Watch Team)

Monday, 14 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Grenada (e-mail grenada@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 599-0301); or My Sister's Health Watch Team (e-mail unescocforge@gmail.com; tel. 1 (516) 943-3174).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *March 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents

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All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

In addition, the library will conduct lunch hour information sessions during the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (14 to 24 March 2016), in the Library (Room L-133). All permanent representatives, United Nations entities, and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited. No registration is necessary.

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament: Call for nominations

The Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) wishes to draw the attention of Member States to its Note Verbale ODA/01-2016/FP, dated 4 January 2016, inviting nominations to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament. The *deadline is Friday, 15 April 2016.*

For permanent missions that have not yet received this note verbale, please contact Ms. Jenny Fuchs, ODA (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

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Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Signature: Fiji (1 March 2016)

Protocol amending article 1 (a), article 14 (1) and article 14 (3) (b) of the European Agreement of 30 September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR). Geneva, 28 October 1993

Accession: Turkey (29 February 2016)

Amendment to article 8 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Kampala, 10 June 2010

Ratification: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (1 March 2016)

Amendments on the crime of aggression to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Kampala, 11 June 2010

Ratification: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (1 March 2016)

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013

Ratification: Greece (29 February 2016)

Paris Agreement
Paris, 12 December 2015

Opening for signature

States and regional economic integration organizations intending to sign the Paris Agreement at the high-level signature ceremony, convened by the Secretary-General, to be held on Friday, 22 April 2016, are requested to send to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, *as soon as possible*, and well in advance of the ceremony, a letter or note verbale confirming their participation in the signature ceremony and indicating the name and title of the representative who will sign the Agreement on their behalf. When needed, the communication should be accompanied by the instrument of full powers authorizing the representative to sign the Agreement.

In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

[Contacts: Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail hamdyd@un.org) or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail guevarah@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693.]

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
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His Excellency Tuvako Nathaniel Manongi

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Indonesia
His Excellency Muhammad Anshor
Chargé d'affaires

Eastern European States
Azerbaijan
His Excellency Yashar Aliyev

Latin American and Caribbean States
Antigua and Barbuda
His Excellency Walton Alfonso Webson

Western European and other States
Luxembourg
Her Excellency Sylvie Lucas

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Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Website of the Presidency

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A/70/744–S/2016/161	Item 35 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Identical letters dated 19 February 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *15 pages*
A/70/758–S/2016/177	Item 34 (a) — Prevention of armed conflict — Letter dated 22 February 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
A/70/765	Item 139 — Human resources management — Mobility — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*
A/RES/70/133	Item 29 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*
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A/RES/70/138	Item 68 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — The girl child [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*
A/RES/70/144	Item 72 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — International Covenants on Human Rights [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
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A/RES/70/148	Item 72 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*
A/RES/70/164	Item 72 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — Measures to enhance the promotion and protection of the human rights and dignity of older persons [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
A/RES/70/172	Item 72 (c) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — Situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
A/RES/70/173	Item 72 (c) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 17 December 2015 — Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

A/RES/70/184 — Item 17 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — Information and communications technologies for development [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

A/RES/70/187 — Item 18 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — International trade and development [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

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A/RES/70/193 — Item 20 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development, 2017 [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

A/RES/70/201 — Item 20 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

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A/RES/70/210 — Item 21 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

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A/RES/70/223 — Item 26 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — Agriculture development, food security and nutrition [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*

A/RES/70/225 — Item 64 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 2015 — Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

A/AC.109/2016/7 — French Polynesia — Working paper prepared by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *17 pages*

A/AC.109/2016/11 New Caledonia — Working paper prepared by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

Committee on Information
Thirty-eighth session

A/AC.198/2016/1 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/GTM/8-9 Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention — Eighth and ninth periodic reports that States parties were supposed to submit in 2015 — Guatemala [E F S (only)] — *42 pages*

CEDAW/C/PRY/7 Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention — Seventh periodic report of States parties due in 2015 — Paraguay [E F S (only)] — *25 pages*

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A/70/741–S/2016/71	Letter dated 22 January 2016 from the Secretary-General of the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *20 pages*
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Economic and Social Council

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2016 session

E/2016/9/Add.12 Item 4 of the provisional agenda — Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments — Election of five members of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *23 pages*

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

E/C.19/2016/2 Item 10 of the provisional agenda — Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues considered by the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues — Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Indigenous Peoples and the 2030 Agenda — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

E/C.19/2016/5 Item 3 of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the recommendations of the Permanent Forum — System-wide action plan for ensuring a coherent approach to achieving the ends of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

Secretariat

ST/ADM/SER.B/900 Assessment of Member States' contributions for the financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 [E F S (only)] — *25 pages*

Communications to the Editor

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The office of the Journal Unit opens at 15:00.

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General Assembly

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Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

10:00	3rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).]

Security Council

10:00	7641st meeting	Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Middle East (Yemen)

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 7641st meeting.

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

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	Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Review of arrangements for funding and backstopping special political missions (A/66/340 and A/66/7/Add.21))	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors: Report of the Board of Auditors on progress in the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat (A/70/581, A/70/607 and A/70/755))	

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)

Thirty-third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
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Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2016 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

Sub-working Group 2

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Sub-working Group 4

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11
	Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/70/95, A/70/357, A/70/579 and A/70/579/Add.1) [item 7]	

[Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org). Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that *only* scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Mission in Liberia
2. Executive meeting

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

1. Final report of the Panel of Experts on Libya pursuant to paragraph 24 (d) of resolution 2213 (2015)
2. Other matters

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People
Working Group

The Working Group of the Committee will hold a brainstorming session (closed) *today*, 3 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Fortieth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today, 3* March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Thursday, 3 March 2016

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room F

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

10:30 to 12:30 Closed meeting Conference Room A

International Criminal Court: Special session of the New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (Deposit by El Salvador of instrument of accession to the Rome Statute)

10:45 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Other activities

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Thursday, 3 March 2016

Meeting of the Group of Friends in favour of a woman candidate for Secretary-General of the United Nations (organized by the Permanent Mission of Colombia)

From 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room 6.

[All Members of the Group are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Juan Aristizabal, Permanent Mission of Colombia (e-mail intern05.colombiaun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 355-7776, ext. 235).]

Special event on the occasion of World Wildlife Day (A/RES/68/205) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon, Germany and Thailand, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the World Bank Group)

From 11:30 to 13:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eva Gurria, UNDP (e-mail eva.gurria@undp.org; tel. 1 (646) 781-4052). To register, please *click here*.]

Meeting on "Human rights at work in peace operations" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, the Deparment of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michelle Ramcharan, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail ramcharan@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4371).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Thursday, 3 March 2016

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting to hear a briefing on the implementation of the relevant provisions of resolution 70/232 entitled "Rights of Indigenous Peoples", on Monday, 7 March 2016, at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 February and 25 February 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation for the increase in membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, on Wednesday, 9 March 2016, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org).

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, on Thursday, 21 April 2016. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 December 2015 and 18 January 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

Thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem
(19-21 April 2016)

Pursuant to resolutions 67/193 of 20 December 2012, 69/200 of 18 December 2014 and 70/181 of 17 December 2015, the General Assembly will hold the thirtieth special session on the world drug problem on Tuesday, 19, Wednesday, 20 and Thursday, 21 April 2016.

The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, should contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; fax 1 (212) 963-3783) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

Draft resolution

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council, and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council. The election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

Election of the President, Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session

The election of the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb — A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York

To access the Candiweb, please *click here*.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold its 25th meeting on Friday, 4 March 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. An informal briefing (closed) by Mr. David Nabarro, Special Adviser on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, will be held at 15:00, in Conference Room 3.

Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 25th meeting, and at 16:30, in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-sixth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-sixth session at Headquarters, from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations on behalf of the Presidency of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), convened by the facilitator (Switzerland), on the scope and methodology of the Global Sustainable Development Report, will be held on Monday, 7 March 2016, at 15:00 in Conference Room F. For information on the Global Sustainable Development Report, please *click here*.

Special meeting on inequality

In the context of Goal-10 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting on inequality on Wednesday, 30 March 2016, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Republic of Korea).

All are invited to attend. Members of the Council are requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretariat as early as possible. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the Acting Secretary of the Council of their prospective participation in the Forum (c/o e-mail tanoy@un.org *no later than* noon on Monday, 28 March 2016, in order to be provided a seat in the plenary room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the special meeting on inequality, please contact Mr. Philipp Erfurth, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail erfurth@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367 4938). Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Partnership Forum

The Economic and Social Council will hold a Partnership Forum on the theme "From commitments to results: Leveraging partnerships for the 2030 Agenda" on Thursday, 31 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Forum will be chaired by the President of the Council (Republic of Korea).

All are invited to attend. Members of the Council are requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretariat as early as possible. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the Acting Secretary of the Council of their participation in the Forum (c/o e-mail leonc@un.org) *no later than* noon on Tuesday, 29 March 2016, in order to be provided a seat in the Chamber. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the Partnership Forum, please contact Mr. Ajit Yogasundram, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail yogasundram@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5737). Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Coordination and Management Meeting

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the Coordination and Management Meeting, to be held from Monday, 4, to Wednesday, 6 April 2016. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2016/1/Add.1. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than* Thursday, 17 March 2016, to the Acting Secretary of the Council (Attn. Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Statistical Commission
Forty-seventh session

The forty-seventh session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 8, to Friday, 11 March 2016, in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2016/1 and E/CN.3/2016/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

Delegations are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included on the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; Room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixtieth session

The sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 14, to Thursday, 24 March 2016. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 14 March, at 10:00.

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2016/1 and E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (*click here*). The list of side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 10 March 2016*, will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers for the general discussion is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; Room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 14 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 15 March; in the morning (*from 12:00 to 13:00 only*) of Wednesday, 16 March; in the morning and afternoon of Friday, 18 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 23 March. For the schedule of the general discussion under agenda item 3, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

Ministerial round tables

The Commission will hold four ministerial round tables in the afternoon of Monday, 14 March 2016. For further information, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2016/1/Add.1), as well as the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2016/5).

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister and to indicate their first and second preferences for participation in one Ministerial round table, *no later than Friday, 4 March 2016*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Interactive dialogue with ministers

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister wishing to participate in the "Interactive dialogue with ministers" on Wednesday, 16 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Due to time constraints, a limited number of ministers will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive events, including the Ministerial round tables.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixtieth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted (*click here*).

Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixtieth session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Commission on Population and Development

Briefing on organizational matters and logistics

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, Her Excellency Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota (Zambia), will hold a briefing on organizational matters and logistics of the forty-ninth session of the Commission, on Friday, 4 March 2016, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6. All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Forty-ninth session

The forty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 April 2016. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 11 April 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4.

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2016/1 and E/CN.9/2016/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda), will be held from Monday, 11 April 2016 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Election of the Bureau of the fiftieth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its fiftieth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-ninth session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the International Criminal Court" (under agenda item 78) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12;

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C; and

Wednesday, 9 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on the preparations for the World Humanitarian Summit (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gloria Rivera, OCHA (e-mail riverag@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 909-7825).]

High-level event on "Teaming up to boost higher education opportunities in emergencies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal and Qatar)

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions, permanent observer missions and United Nations Staff are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Portugal (Ms. Inês Coroa (e-mail maria.coroa@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2807); or Ms. Cláudia Figueiredo (e-mail claudia.figueiredo@mne.pt; tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 2912)).]

Informal discussion with the 10-Member Group to Support the Technology Facilitation Mechanism (organized by the Inter-agency Task Team on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals ((IATT-STI))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 14:30 to 15:50, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development (e-mail liuw@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-3212; or please *click here*.]

High-level meeting on "Peace and Sustainable Development Education For All" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kiribati and The International Women's Peace Group (IWPG))

Friday, 4 March 2016, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 9.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Justine Su, Permanent Mission of Kiribati (e-mail kimission.newyork@mfa.gov.ki; tel. 1 (212) 867-3310); or Ms. Jennifer Junn (e-mail nyiwpg@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 207-2504; or 1 (973) 204-7660).]

Meeting on "The 2015 Review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Angola and Australia)

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 10:00 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gizem Sucuoglu, Secretariat to the Advisory Group on the Review of the Peacebuilding Architecture (e-mail sucuoglu@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5488).]

International Women's Day Forum on "The business of inclusion: Global prosperity through women and girls empowerment" (co-organized by the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Corporate Citizenship Center)

Monday, 7 March 2016, from 13:00 to 17:45, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For agenda and further information, please contact Ms. Lucie Brigham, UNOP (e-mail brigham@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3441).]

Special event on "Planet 50-50 by 2030: Step It Up for Gender Equality" (on the occasion of the International Women's Day 2016) (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 8 March 2016, from 10:00 to 12:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Cynthia Gale, UN-Women (e-mail cynthia.gale@unwomen.org). To register, please *click here*.]

Briefing on the work of the International Law Commission (for the Sixth Committee delegates) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Italy and Peru)

Wednesday, 9 March 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 12.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Salvatore Zappalà, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail salvatore.zappala@esteri.it).]

Event on "Monitoring Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Friday, 11 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact the UNESCO New York Office (e-mail newyork@unesco.org).]

Consultation on "The UNAOC Baku Global Forum Declaration" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Friday, 11 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).]

Forum on "Leave No Woman's Issues Behind" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Grenada and My Sisters' Health Watch Team)

Monday, 14 March 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Grenada (e-mail grenada@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 599-0301); or My Sister's Health Watch Team (e-mail unescocforge@gmail.com; tel. 1 (516) 943-3174).]

Round table on the Second Anniversary of the adoption of the General Assembly resolution entitled "Territorial integrity of Ukraine" (A/RES/68/262) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Thursday, 17 March 2016, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Volodymyr Mialkovskyi, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail mialkovskyi@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names
Twenty-ninth session
Bangkok, Thailand (25-29 April 2016)

The twenty-ninth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held from Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 April 2016, at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GEGN/29/1. For further information on the session, please *click here*.

List of participants

Members of the Group of Experts, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by means of a note verbale on official letterhead to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; Room S-3073; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Announcements

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Eighth session of the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (14-16 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities only should be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *March 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents

Finding speeches

Security Council documentation

General Assembly documentation

Treaty research

Basic research on United Nations topics

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

In addition, the library will conduct lunch hour information sessions during the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (14 to 24 March 2016), in the Library (Room L-133). All permanent representatives, United Nations entities, and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited. No registration is necessary.

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament: Call for nominations

The Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) wishes to draw the attention of Member States to its Note Verbale ODA/01-2016/FP, dated 4 January 2016, inviting nominations to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament. The *deadline is Friday, 15 April 2016.*

For permanent missions that have not yet received this note verbale, please contact Ms. Jenny Fuchs, ODA (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here.*

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here.* For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009. For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here.*

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here.*

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7638th meeting

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Palau, Panama, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Turkey and Vanuatu, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/202, submitted by Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Panama, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay and Vanuatu.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/202) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/202) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2270 (2016).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, France, China, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, Spain, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Malaysia, New Zealand, Ukraine, Egypt, Senegal and Uruguay and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Angola.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Republic of Korea.

7639th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/200, submitted by the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/200) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/200) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2271 (2016).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States.

7640th meeting

The situation in Libya

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (S/2016/182)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Libya to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Martin Kobler, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Kobler and by His Excellency Ramlan Bin Ibrahim, Permanent Representative of Malaysia, in his capacity as the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Libya.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: United Arab Emirates (2 March 2016)

Paris Agreement
Paris, 12 December 2015

Opening for signature

States and regional economic integration organizations intending to sign the Paris Agreement at the high-level signature ceremony, convened by the Secretary-General, to be held on Friday, 22 April 2016, are requested to send to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, *as soon as possible*, and well in advance of the ceremony, a letter or note verbale confirming their participation in the signature ceremony and indicating the name and title of the representative who will sign the Agreement on their behalf. When needed, the communication should be accompanied by the instrument of full powers authorizing the representative to sign the Agreement.

In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to

produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

[Contacts: Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail hamdyd@un.org) or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail guevarah@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693.]

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

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United Republic of Tanzania
His Excellency Tuvako Nathaniel Manongi

Asia-Pacific States
Indonesia
His Excellency Muhammad Anshor
Chargé d'affaires

Eastern European States
Azerbaijan
His Excellency Yashar Aliyev

Latin American and Caribbean States
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His Excellency Walton Alfonso Webson

Western European and other States
Luxembourg
Her Excellency Sylvie Lucas

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Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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The website of the Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

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Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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